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of the

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and the

PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR AND HOUSING OFFICER

for

1965

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11, King Edward Street.
MACCLESFIELD.

To: The Chairman and Members of the
Bollington Urban District Council.

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present to you my Annual Report for the year ended 31st. December 1965.

This report will be somewhat later than usual in reaching you. This is regrettable but unavoidable as the pressure of work never seems to diminish and of necessity the Annual Report has a relatively low priority.

There is much new legislation affecting the Public Health Department all of which has to be read and digested so that your officer can advise the Council. With this in mind your Public Health Inspector has listed in his report, the new legislation published during 1965.

The number of births during the year, at 98, was lower than in the year 1964 when there were 111. I do not feel however that there is any statistical significance in this and the figures for 1966 will probably show a substantial increase. The Death Rate fell from 98 in 1964 to 64 in 1965, and the corrected death rate is 10.608. This is a very satisfactory situation in that the live births exceed deaths by 34, and this is unusual for the size of the district. It is also very satisfactory that there were no neonatal deaths during the year.

As in previous years I have included my Annual Report to the Divisional Health Committee. In October 1965 a Health advisory service for the elderly was startd in Macclesfield and it is hoped to extend this service to Bollington at an early date.

Lastly it gives me great satisfaction to report to you that (in contrast to all my previous Annual Reports) work commenced during the year on the individual and detailed inspections necessary in preparing to represent to you a slum clearance area of 45 properties. This area has required attention for many years and I hope that now being started it will be a continuing programme to clear all the area of old houses with inherent defects, that still exist in the Urban District.

I wish to thank the Chairman and Members of the Health Committee for their interest and the help they have given to me throughout the year, and also the Officers and Members of the other Departments for their help and co-operation so readily given.

I have the honour to be
your obedient servant,
W. R. PLEWS.
Medical Officer of Health.

STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS.

Area in acres	1,443
Population (Registrar General's Estimate - Mid 1965)	5,790
Number of inhabited houses (December 1965)	2,157
Rateable Value	£185,145
Product of Penny Rate	£746
Live Births	98
Still Births	3
Deaths (all causes)	64

VITAL STATISTICS

(Previous year in brackets)

LIVE BIRTHS. (Rate per 1000 population) 16.92	MALE.	FEMALE.	TOTAL.	CRUDE.	CORRECTED.
Legitimate.	44(59)	47(45)	91(104)	15.71	16.8
Illigitimate.	2(2)	5(5)	7(7)		
As a percentage of total live births - 7.14%					

STILL BIRTHS. (Rate per 1000 population) 29.9	MALE.	FEMALE.	TOTAL.
	1(1)	2(-)	3(1)
~~As a percentage of total live births - 29.7%.~~			

TOTAL LIVE AND STILL BIRTHS.	MALE.	FEMALE.	TOTAL.
	47(62)	54(50)	101(112)

INFANT MORTALITY.

During the year there were no neonatal deaths. There were 3 in 1964.

Perinatal Mortality Rate (Stillbirths and deaths under 1 week-combined. (per 1000 total live and stillbirths - 29.7

REGISTERED DEATHS.

YEAR	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL
1960	39	37	76
1961	35	41	76
1962	52	53	105
1963	39	33	72
1964	53	45	98
1965	33	31	64

The crude Death Rate for 1965 was 11.05

The corrected Death Rate for 1965 10.608

The corresponding Death Rates for 1964 were 17.19 and 17.19

PRINCIPAL CAUSES OF DEATH.	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL
Diseases of Heart and circulation	9(15)	16(17)	25(32)
Vascular lesions of nervous system	4(9)	6(6)	10(15)
Cancer (all forms)	9(14)	4(7)	13(21)
Pneumonia and Bronchitis	6(6)	2(3)	8(9)
All other causes of death	5(9)	3(12)	8(21)
TOTAL	33(53)	31(45)	64(98)

AGE GROUPS AT DEATH.

YEAR.	1960		1961		1962		1963		1964	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
Under 1 year	3	1	1	2	-	2	3	1	3	2
1 - 5 years	-	-	-	-	1	2	-	-	-	1
6 - 15 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16- 25 years	1	2	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1
26- 45 years	1	3	-	4	2	-	2	-	1	-
46-65 years	9	8	13	6	8	4	12	6	18	8
66- 74 years	16	9	8	10	6	16	8	8	15	14
75 + years	9	14	12	20	15	29	13	18	16	19
TOTALS	39	37	34	42	32	53	39	33	53	45

	1965.	
	M	F
Under 4 weeks	-	-
4 weeks, under 1 year	-	-
1 - year	1	-
5 - years	1	-
15 - years	-	-
25 - years	-	1
35 - years	2	-
45 - years	2	1
55 - years	5	3
65 - years	9	11
75 and over years	13	15

TOTALS.	
Males	33
Females	31
	64

The number of deaths, which was 64, was less than in 64
The proportion of persons dying over the age of 65 is 75% compared with 65% in 1964.
14 persons aged over 65 died in hospital i.e. 29.4% of all deaths over 65 years of age.

TUBERCULOSIS

One new case was notified in 1965.

Every effort must still be made to get the parents of children of school leaving age to agree to have their children protected by B. C. G. vaccination.

YEAR.	MALES		FEMALES		TOTAL
	PULMONARY.	Non-PULMONARY	PULMONARY.	Non-PULMONARY	
1965	9	5	10	6	30

INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

The following diseases were notified during the year 1965

Scarlet Fever ..... 1 (Nil)
Measles 58 (105)
Whooping Cough 8 (9)
Tuberculosis 1 (1)

11, King Edward Street.
Macclesfield.

To: The Chairman and Members of the
Macclesfield Divisional Health Committee.

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have pleasure in submitting my report for the year ended 31st December 1965.

The population of the Division has increased to 45,240 and I was glad to have an additional Health Visitor appointed to cover the Upton Priory Estate.

The report as a whole shows how the work in the division is steadily increasing but I would particularly mention two clinics. Firstly, in October a Cytological Clinic was established for the early detection of Cancer of the Cervix and has so far been working successfully. Secondly, a Health Advisory Service was also commenced in October and the initial results are very encouraging.

I would like to express my thanks to all of those voluntary workers who have assisted the department in many ways, and also the officers and staff of the District Council Departments for their co-operation and help. Lastly, I would like to thank my own office staff who are affected by the increased work of the different sections and who have worked extremely hard during the year.

I am, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Yours faithfully,

W.R.PLEWS.

Macclesfield Divisional Medical Officer of Health.

Constitution of the Divisional Health Committee:-

County Council.

Alderman George Astbury, J.P.) Ex-Officio)
Alderman F. McBirnie)
Alderman A.E. Barwood
Alderman Mrs. M.I.Gillies.
Councillor Mrs. F.L. Tunstall.
Councillor H.E.R. Peers.

Macclesfield Borough Council.

Alderman Mrs. M.E. Wright (Chairman)
Councillor Mrs. M.M. Clegg.
Councillor Mrs. G. Weatherby.
Councillor Mrs. C.M. McCoy (To 15.6.65)
Alderman W.A. Ledger (To Sept. 1965)
Councillor L. Walton.
Councillor Mrs. L. Davenport (From 15.6.65)
Councillor G. Hodkinson.
Councillor Mrs. H.O. Barentz.
Councillor A.S.Allan.
Councillor Mrs. H. Heywood.
Councillor W.E. Lyon (From 15.6.65)

Bollington Urban District Council.

Councillor Mrs. E.A. Mosley, J.P. (From 15.6.65)
Councillor F.G.Thompson.
Councillor Mrs. D. Maguire (To 15.6.65)

Co-opted Members.

Dr. F.R. M. Young.	Representing	Local Medical Panel Committee within Division.
Mrs. A.M. White	- do -	No.10 Divisional Executive for Education - Macclesfield & District.
Mrs. G. Britton	- do -	National Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Children.
Councillor Mrs. B.Davies J.P.	do -	St. Dunstans Institute for the Blind.
Mrs. E. Wemyss Smith.	- do -	Macclesfield Council of Social Service.
Clerk to the Committee		Mr. A.E.F. Dear.

The administrative staff for the Divisional Medical Officer was as under:-

Chief Administrative Assistant.	* Mr. H. Greenhouse.	(*Part-time with the Borough of Macclesfield)
General Clerk.	Mrs. E.M.Bannister.	
Clerk/Typist	* Miss. M. Jackson.	
Junior Clerk.	Mrs. G.A. Coppack.	
Welfare Foods & Chiropody Service	Mrs. M.G. Andrews.	
Immunological Records & Clinics	Mrs. B. Honey.	
Domestic Help Supervisor	Mrs. J. Cheetham.	

The Committee administer approved proposals under the National Health Service Act, 1946, as under :-

Section 22.	Care of Mothers and Young Children.
Section 23	Midwifery.
Section 24	Health Visiting.
Section 25	Home Nursing.
Section 26	Vaccination & Immunisation.
Section 28	Prevention of Illness, Care and After-Care.
Section 29	Domestic Help.
Section 51	Mental Health Service.

The following is a record of work done during the year 1965.

Section 22 - Care of Mothers and Young Children.

Infant Welfare Clinics.

Attendances made by children.		Attendances.	No. seen by Doctor.
Bridge Street	52 sessions.	5035	832
Hurdsfield House	51 "	2684	546
Sanders Square	50 "	1777	401
Weston	51 "	2945	667
Bollington	24 "	2044	503

Pre-School (Todlers) Clinics.

Attendances made by children.

Bridge Street	11 Sessions	121	115
Hurdsfield House	12 "	103	103
Sander Square	9 "	49	40

Ante-Natal Clinics.

Attendances made by mothers.		First Visits.	Return Visits.	No. seen by Doctor
Bridge Street	22 Sessions	245	500	421
Hurdsfield House	12 "	109	213	205
Sanders Square	12 "	74	134	137
Weston (From 1.11.65)	2 Sessions	21	35	32

Applications for admission to West Park Hospital.

Number of Applications received - 446

Number accepted by West Park Hospital	Number accepted by other hospitals.	Home Confinements due to non-acceptance.
366	-	79

WELFARE FOODS.

The main storage and distribution centre at the Divisional Health Offic Macclesfield and the distribution points at 52, Bridge Street, Hurdsfield House, Sanders Square, Western Estate and Bollington Welfare Centres and Bollington Council Offices were retained.

During the year the following quantites of food were distributed; the previous year being shown in brackets:-

National Dried Milk.	6684 (8664)	tins.
Orange Juice	11918 (10139)	bottles.
Cod Liver Oil	1089 (961)	bottles.
Vitamins A & D Tablets.	1206 (1208)	packets.

Branded Foods including Milk Foods, Cereals and other commodities continued to be sold at the Welfare Centres and during the year the total sales amounted to £2910. 13. 5d (In 1964 - £2728. 3. 7d)

SPECIALIST CLINICS.

Opthalmic Clinic. The Opthalmic clinic at the School Clinic is available to mothers and children under 5 years of age and the following is a report of the work done during the year:-

No of mothers who attended the Clinic	Nil
No of children under 5 years who attended	46
No of attendances made by children under 5 years	106
No of children for whom glasses were prescribed	35

Ear, Nose and Throat Clinic. This clinic is held one each month at the School Clinic and is available to Mothers and Children under 5 years.

No. of attendances made by mothers.	Nil.
No. of attendances made by children under 5 years.	2
No. of children referred to for Tonsils and Adenoids Operation	2

Dental Treatment - Treatment carried out by the School Dentist for Mothers and children under 5 years.

	Cases Exam'd	Needing Treatment	Treated.	Extr-actions.	Anesthstic Local.	Anesthstic Gen.	Fillings.	Scalings.	Dentu
Maternity Cases,	2	2	1	-	-	-	4	-	-
Child Welfare.	15	12	10	7	1	3	33	-	-

DAY NURSERIES.

The following is a summary of attendances for the year but the total attendances for all the nurseries is down from 33,561 to 32,482 in 1965. However, there was an outbreak of Dysentary in the Glegg Street Day Nursery which very adversely affected the attendances as those children who developed the condition could not be allowed back until a series of negative faecel bacteriological examinations had been obtained, thus, though Glegg Street Day Nursery attendances were down by 1,106 the drop in attendances at all nurseries including Glegg Street was 1,079.

	Attendances.		Total Average
	Under 2 years.	2 - 5 years.	Daily Attendances.
South Park.	2579	5966	34
Glegg Street	1500	6715	33
Hurdsfield	2230	6507	36
Bollington.	2142	4743	28

SECTION.23 MIDWIVES SERVICES.

Notification of births received.

	Live		Stillborn.		Total.		Total Births.
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	
Legitimate	379	379	5	6	384	385	769
Illegitimate	26	23	-	-	26	23	49
	405	402	5	6	410	408	818

There are seven County Midwives employed in the Division.

There was a total of 818 births in the Division, 410 males and 408 Femal

Births took place as follows:-

	MACCLESFIELD.		BOLLINGTON.		TOTOAL	
	1965.	(1964)	1965	(1964)	1965	(1964)
West Park Hospital.	341	329	58	52	399	381
Other Hospitals.	33	42	5	4	38	46
Home Confinements.	346	308	35	55	381	363
	720	679	98	111	818	790

Of the 381 mothers who were confined at home, 72 were attended by Home Helps provided under section 29 of the National Health Services Act.

HEALTH VISITORS.

The following visits were made by the Health Visitors employed in the Division.

	First Visits.	Total Visits.
To Children under 12 months.	919	4327
To Children 1 - 5 years	184	4901
To Expectant Mothers.	266	407
To Home Helps.	9	16
Re Stillbirths.	1	6
To Infant Deaths	5	6
To Cases of Sickness,	-	307
To Care and After Care	123	639
To Cases of Tuberculosis.	4	8
To School Children	145	391
Special Cases	84	765
No Access	50	894
	1790	12667

In addition to the above visits, the following clinics are attended by the seven Health Visitors:- Infant Welfare, Pre-School, Ante-Natal, B.C.G. Poliomyelitis, School Medical and Head Inspections and the various specialist clinics.

SECTION 25 - DOMICILLIARY NURSING.

There are four District Nurses and one relief nurse employed in the Division and visits were made during the year as under:-

Total Visits	10,748
The number of patients over 64 years of age attended was	421

SECTION 26- VACCINATIONS AND IMMUNISATION.

Records of Vaccination and Immunisation of persons under:- 16 years.

	Completed Doses.	Reinforcing Doses.
Smallpox Vaccination.		
By practitioners	203	18
At Welfare Centres.	112	1
Diptheria/Tetanus.		
By Practitioners.	3	-
At Welfare Clinics	-	-
Diptheria/Whooping Cough/Tetanus (Triple)		
By Practitioners.	379	107
At Welfare Clinics.	337	22
Tetanus.		
By Practitioners.	8	2
At Welfare Clincs.	4	-
Poliomyelitis Vaccination.		
Salk.	-	-
Oral Sabin.		
By Practioners.	1022	578
At Welfare Centres.	586	267

SECTION 27 AMBULANCE SERVICE.

Report of work done by the Ambulance Service.

	Total Number of Journeys.	Total Number of Patients Carried	Total Mileage.
Ambulance	2825	12,421	58,196
Sitting Case Vehicle	1707	21,342	67,040

SECTION 28 PREVENTION OF ILLNESS, CARE AND AFTER CARE

Cytological Clinic.

This clinic was started in October to carry out tests for ladies between the ages 25 - 60 years, to find those with a pre-cancerous condition and preventing the development of Cancer of the Cervix.

During 1965 six sessions were held and 31 patients attended.

Health Advisory Service for the Aged.

This service was started in October at the Macclesfield Darby and Joan Clubs run by the W.V.S. at the Parish Rooms and Heyes Hall, Weston.

Health Education films are shown and the Clinic Nurse attends to answer questions and talk to the members at each club, one per month, where the attendances are approximately 100 and 80 respectively.

Loan of Medical and Surgical Equipment.

Articles for loan purposes are available at the Divisional Health Office. These articles were issued during the year 1965, as follows:-

Wheel Chairs	16
Bed Rests.	32
Air Cushions	57
Bed Pans.	110
Mackintosh Sheets,	127
Urinals.	37
Feeding Cups	1
Bed Cages	12
Commodes	5
Inflatable Toilet Seats.	-
Crutches	-
Hoyer Hoist	3
Enuresis Alarm	18
Detachable Oxygen Set	1
	419

In addition to the above 3,800 disposable sheets were purchased for issue to District Nurses to assist them in their work where necessary.

Physically Handicapped Persons.

Adaptations to property and equipment such as provisions of handrails, ramps, bath and toilet aids, walking aids, foundations for garages and widening of paths etc., were provided in twelve cases during the year.

Car badges for severelydisabled drivers were in use in eight cases.

Tuberculosis,

	Macclesfield.				Bollington.			
	PUL-MONARY.		NON PULMONARY.		PUL-MONARY.		NON NON PULMONA	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
No of cases on Register at 1.1.65	155	111	37	37	9	9	5	5
No of cases on Register at 31.12.65	153	109	38	38	9	9	5	6
No of new cases added in 1965	2	4	1	1	-	-	-	-
No. of deaths in 1965	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
No. of cases recovered, lost sight of etc.,	2	5	-	-	-	-	-	-

B.C.G. Vaccination.

B.C.G. Vaccination against Tuberculosis is available to children in their 13 Year. This age group involves ten schools in the Division and the following table shows the number of children vaccinated during the year,

Number of Children. in age group.	Number of Consents. Received.	Number of Children tested by P.P.D. Inject:	Number of Children. vaccinated with B.C.G
776	625	601	533

CHIROPODY SERVICE.

This service is available to Pensioners, Expectant Mothers and Physically Handicapped Persons who are on National Assistance and the following new cases and total treatments were given during the year:-

	No. of New Cases.	No. of Treatments. Given.	Total of Patie treate
Persons over 65 years.	110	3062	550
Physically Handicapped	2	81	17
Expectant Mothers.	-	-	-
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	112	3143	567

SECTION 29 DOMESTIC HELP.

Number of Domestic Helps on the Register at 31st December. 1965, and the total number of hours worked during the year was as follows:-

	Macclesfield.	Bollington.	Total.	Total number of hours worked during 1965.
Part-time.	47	9	56	39,128

In the case of home-confinements home help is usually provided for fourteen days after the date of confinement, most of the help provided is in fact for aged persons who are chronically sick or infirm and each year shows an increased demand from this group.

Number of Cases attended by Home Helps.	1964.	1965.
Maternity (including expectant mothers)	55	72
Chronic Sick and Tuberculosis	23	19
Person aged 65 and over (aged and infirm)	270	256
Others.	12	14
	360	361

Recruitment of Domestic Helps in both the Division and the surrounding area has been most difficult and as a result the following work for South-East Cheshire Division was arranged by the Supervisor:-

14 Home Helps.
7 Confinement cases - Hours worked 363.25

12 A & 1., Chronic Sick and Other sick cases under 65- Hours worked 395.25

Total Cases - 19 Total Hours Worked - 758.50

Visits made by the Domestic Supervisor were as follows:-

Supervisory Visits	757		
New Patient Visits	226	New Patients Given Help	170
Total Visits	983	- (Visits at Weekends 42)	

SECTION.51. MENTAL HEALTH SERVICE.

Hunior Training Centre.

No on Register at 31st December 1965	66
Total No of Attendances during 1965	10272
Average daily Attendances.	52
No. on Staff	6

Age of children at 31.12. 65.	Boys.	Girls.	Total
Under 5 years.	-	1	1
5 - 6 years (inclusive)	13	7	20
7 - 11 years "	13	5	18
12- 15 years "	18	9	27
	44	22	66

Areas in which children reside.

Macclesfield Borough	16
Macclesfield Rural	9
Congleton Borough	7
Congleton Rural	4
Cheadle & Gatley U.D.C.	15
Wilmslow R.D.C.	8
Bramhall & Woodford U.D.C.	7
	66

There are 6 children receiving free meals.

The children had medical inspection during the year in addition those who required innoculations against poliomyelitis or tuberculosis had the necessary treatment.

Transport of the children is provided to and from the Centre by coach and taxi services.

The number of students were attached to the Centre for periods of practical training and many visits of investigation and oberservation were made by Doctors, teachers and student teachers, nurses and social workers.

A member of staff successfully completed the Diploma Course of the National Association for Mental Health for Teachers of the Mentally Handicapped.

Gifts to the Centre included some special Nursery Furniture provided by the Macclesfield Round Table. This has proved of great value in the training of children and has provided many hours of real pleasure to them.

The children enjoy caring for animals and they have as pets, a budgerigar, hamster goldfish and rabbits.

Open days have been held during the year for parents and friends.

During the year one child was transferred to the Education Authority, four to the Adult Training Centre and one took up employment with a Road Haulage Company.

Adult Training Centre.

Number on Register at 31st December 1965.	70
Total Number of attendances during 1965	12314
Average daily attendances.	54
Number of Staff at 31st December 1965	6

This second year finds the Centre established and accepted as a permanent "Statutory Provision" for the comprehensive training of the Trainees, for their fullest participation in normal living. This coupled with the pleasure of working in modern premises has made obvious, in the following ways, the fundamental benefits to the Trainees and their families.

(a) Because of a daily routine of coming out of work, of a feeling of belonging to a community and place of their own, and because of a broader scope of experiences and opportunities the Trainees are better health, have fewer ailments and temperament and are more active and happier people.

(b) Because of planned encouragement to take part and complete in group activities, the Trainees communicate more freely and their asocial, and inhibitory problems are fewer.

(c) Work and manual skills have shown great progress because of daily practise.

(d) The Trainees have a less conspicuous social demeaner when walking, talking and dining and their dress-sense has much improved, they are mo conscious of how others see them.

These improvements are a great encouragement for our future aims and aspirations, for we feel this is only the beginning.

Employment.

Two trainees have found employment.

Chest X-Rays.

The Mass Radiography Unit visited the Centre on the 15th September and all Trainees and Staff had X-Rays.

Poliomyelitis Vaccination.

Every Trainee and Staff had a course of Oral Vaccination.

Medical Inspections.

Under the "Factories Acts" all eligible Trainees received a medical

Visitors.

Day Nursery Matrons - Tuesday 26th January
Dr.Brown and Mr & Mrs Jack - Friday 12th February.
Student Nurses, West Park Hospital - Monday 22nd March.
Stoke-on-Trent P.T.A. Association - Wednesday 9th June.
Sisters, Cranage Hall Hospital - Monday 6th September.
School Doctors, Youth Employment Officers - Wednesday 15th December.

Open Day.

Saturday 4th November 1965.

Outing. Tuesday July 13th 1965. Mersey Tunnel - New Brighton - Chester.

AREA MENTAL WELFARE OFFICER'S REPORT.
FOR THE YEAR 1965.

Oak House,
Brunswick Street,
MACCLESFIELD.

To the Chairman and Members
of the Health Committee.

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have much pleasure in presenting to you the Annual Report on the work of the Mental Health Service in Macclesfield and Bollington during the year 1965.

Services for the mentally disordered in the community have continued to gather momentum over the past year and pressures of demand on the Mental Welfare Officer, in a society which is daily becoming more aware of the therapeutic value of the community services requires increasing effort and up-to-date knowledge and skill.

The Mental Welfare Officer is recognised as the right hand of the family doctor when dealing with the mentally disordered in the community. Of equal importance is the close contact and liaison with the hospital services, which are essential to the recovery and rehabilitation of these persons who require psychiatric attention and possible hospitalization.

Regretably the return to home life of some patients is obtructed by the attitude of relatives, friends and employers, whose memories can only conjure up pictures of the difficult, aggressive or perhaps hostile behaviour exhibited by the patient prior to admission. The Mental Welfare Officer with his casework knowledge and skill, acts as guide and counsellor to all concerned, helping them to adjust and accept .

Because of this process of education and supportive help more and more persons are returning to normal home life and full employment, thus making their contribution to the affluence of the nation.

The Macclesfield and District Therapeutic Social Club, (The Bridge Club) continues to go from strength to strength. Meetings at weekly intervals are held on Monday evenings in the Adult Training Centre, and there are at present 190 members with an average weekly attendance of approximately thirty.

Much local interest has been obvious over the past year and I appreciate the kind effort of all concerned, with particular reference to the 'Samaritans' and the ladies of the Toc.H. who have given so much of their valuable free time on Club nights. Perhaps the most outstanding demonstration of local appreciation of the club's value was shown on the occasion of the Bridge Club Coffee Morning, which was held on Saturday, 6th November, when more than £90 was raised for club funds. On this occasion we were priviliged and honoured to be favoured with the attendance of the Mayoress of Macclesfield, Mrs. J.V.G. Hope. Her attendance served to underline the spontaneous and generous response to our appeal for help by so many local shop-keepers and industrialists.

As regards the staff of No.7. Macclesfield amd Congelton Area (which includes Bollington) they have faced up to the ever increasing pressures over the year with unfailing loyalty and to them I owe my sincere thanks.

To the Chairman and Members of the County Health Committee, Dr. Arnold Brown, County Medical Officer, Dr. Plews Divisional Medical Officer, and the Chairman and Members of the Divisional Health Committee, my deep gratitude and appreciation of their continual support and confidence on the work carried out by officer of this department.

A Table showing the number of cases from Macclesfield and Bollington dealt with during the past year by officers of this department is illustrated below. Seperate figures for the elderly infirm etc., are also shown.

Notifications and Admission etc.,

	Male.	Female.	Total.
Informal admissions.....	36	35	71
Compulsory Admission following application under the Mental Health Act 1959.....	20	51	71
Referred to Other Departments.....	11	21	32
Referred to General Practitioners.....	5	11	16
Referred to Psychiatric Out-Patients Clinics.....	16	33	49
Cases where NO/Action considered necessary.....	15	17	32
Cases retained by this Department for Domiciliary Supervision....	28	46	74
Totals.	131	214	345

Elderly Mentally Infirm.

	Male - 65+	Female - 60+	Total.
1964....	30	63	93
1965....	24	46	70

I remain,
Your Obedient Servant,

L. MEADWELL. Area Mental Welfare Officer.

REPORT OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR AND HOUSING OFFICER.

To: The Chairman and Members of the Bollington Urban District Council.

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have pleasure in presenting my report for the year 1965.

Mr. E. Martin joined the combined department in May 1965 as senior clerk and Mrs. K. Heathcote, temporary part-time assistant joined the department in February 1965.

In the Health Department, meat inspection continued to occupy a high proportion of the available time for Health matters and it was still necessary to work overtime on Sundays to ensure 100% inspection of all carcases.

I am pleased to report progress in food hygiene in shops.

The management of the Council's two housing estates occupied a large part of the time of the department and owing to the compartively high incidence of sickness and resignations in our small direct labour force, increasing use had to be made of outside contractors to carry out housing repairs.

My thanks are due to the Chairmen of the Health and Housing Committees, to the Medical Officer of Health and the staff of the Health and Housing department for their support during the year.

I am, Ladies and Gentlemen,
your obedient servant.

Public Health Inspector and Housing Officer.

LEGISLATION 1965.

STATUTES.

Housing (Slum Clearance Compensation) Act 1965.
Rent Act 1965.
Rural Water Supplies and Sewerage Act 1965.

STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS.

Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food.

No. 363	Dried Milk Regulations 1965.
1497	Meat Inspection (Amendment) Regulations 1965.
1555	Milk (Special Designation) (Amendment) Regulations 1965.
1928	Milk (Special Designation) Specified Areas) Order 1965.
2199	Cheese Regulations 1965.

Ministry of Housing and Local Government.

98	Housing (Prescribed Forms) (Amendment) Regulations 1965.
1437	Rag Flock and Other Filling Materials Regulations 1965.
1508	Smoke Control Areas (Authorised Fuels) Regulations 1965.
1933	Rent Book (Forms of Notice) Regulations 1965.
1951	Smoke Control Area (Authorised Fuels) (NO.2.) Regulations 1965.

Ministry of Labour.

307	Information for Employees Regulations 1965.
1360	Offices Shops and Railway Premises Act 1963. (Conduct of Inquiries) Regulations 1965.
2046	Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act 1963 (Exemption No.3) Order 1965.

Ministry of Public Building and Works.

1373	Building Regulations 1965.
1374	Public Health Act 1961 (Commencement) Order 1965.
2184	Building (First Amendment) Regulations 1965.

CIRCULARS.

Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food.

45. Meat Inspection (Amendment) Regulations 1965.
51. Milk (Special Designation) (Amendment) Regulations 1965.
61. Meat Inspection Regulations 1963.

Ministry of Housing and Local Government.

8. Disposal of Old Motor Vehicles.
13. Clean Air Act 1956.
15. Provision of Hand-Washing Facilities in Public Conveniences.
17. Caravan Sites, and Control of Development Act 1960.
21. Housing.
41. House Improvement Administrative Procedures.
51. Clean Air Act.1956. Grant Arrangements.
59. Extended Aeration Sewage Treatment Plants.
69. Clean Air : Tall Buildings and Industrial Emissions.
77. Clean Air Act 1956: Smoke Control Areas - Estimates and Final Costs.

Ministry of Public Building and Works.

2. Public Health Act 1961: Building Control.

OFFICIAL REPORTS AND MEMORANDA.

Rents and Security of Tenure: The Rent Bill (Cmnd 2622)
Housing Programme 1965 to 1970 (Cmnd 2828)
Leasehold Reform in England and Wales (Cmnd 2916)
Report of the Technical Committee to Enquire into the Welfare of Animals kept under Intensive Livestock Husbandry Systems (Cmnd 2836)
Marketing of Meat and Livestock (Cmnd 2737)
Food Standards Committee Report of Fish and Meat Pastes.
Food Standards Committee Report on Flavouring Agents.

DRAINAGE AND SEWERAGE.

General.

The majority of dwellinghouses in the district are connected to the public sewer, and treatment of sewage is undertaken at the Council's Lowerhouse sewage disposal works. The Council have long realised the inadequacy of these works and were advised some years ago by their Consulting Engineers that large scale improvements to cope with the large volumes of trade effluent, which industrial firms were being pressed by the River Board to discharge into the sewer instead of brook courses, could not be recommended because of the technical problems of satisfactorily dealing with too high a proportion of trade effluent.

Accordingly, negotiations have continued over several years with the operators of Industrial premises in Bollington and with the Macclesfield Corporation, to finalise a scheme whereby the existing Lowerhouse sewerage works would be abandoned and all domestic sewage and trade effluent conveyed by trunk sewer for treatment at the Macclesfield Corporation Butley Sewage Works.

By the end of 1965 it was clear that the scheme would proceed.

In 1962 the Council agreed to bear the whole cost of emptying domestic septic tanks in the district, utilising the vehicle owned by the Macclesfield Rural District Council. During 1965, 12 tanks were emptied, at a total cost to the Council of £29 . 5 . 0d.

HOUSING DEPARTMENT.

The Council own 126 dwellings which were built pre-war.
315 " " " " post-war.

441 " of which 52 are post-war built Bungalows.

During 1965 - 5 Bungalows changed tenants
16 Houses " "

The following information has been extracted from the Financial Statistics of the Administrative County of Cheshire. 1965.

Supervision and Management	£1,641
Housing Repair Fund Income	£6,042
" " " Expenditure	£7,537
" " " Balance	£2,761
Average annual contributions per house	£ 13
" " expenditure " "	£ 17
Balance in Housing Repair Fund " "	£ 6

REPAIRS.

A simple system has been introduced to note, check and issue work orders for requests for repairs, and a card index system started to record all information, from whatever scource, about individual Council houses. Between 5th August 1965 and 31st December 1965, approximately 760 complaints were recorded and for the most part completed. The system keeps a check on duplication of requests and the possibility of urgent work being ignored is eliminated.

Complaints appear to be equally divided between plumbing items and general repairs for Bricklayer and Joiner.

Inspection of properties for the Council's programme for clearance in the area of the "Square" Church Street, was started.

16a, Shrigley Road was made subject to a closing order in 1965. 29 houses were made fit by the owners of the property after informal action, and 1 house was made fit after formal action.

IMPROVEMENT GRANTS.

The Council's Surveyor has furnished the following particulars.

Discretionary Grants.

Year.	Applications approved Owner occupiers.	Owners of rented houses.	Total amount of approved grants.	Schemes completed
1959/63	36	3	£7,191	41
1963	7	2	£1,975	13
1964	4	-	£ 656	2
1965	2	2	£1,036	3

Standard Grants.

Year	Applications approved Owner occupiers.	Owners of rented houses.	Total completed	Total Grants.	Amenities provided				
					1.	2.	3.	4.	5
1963	7	4	5	£527.	-	-	-	1	4
1964	11	1	10	£1099.	-	1	-	3	6
1965	10	3	6	£613.	6	6	3	6	3

No applications were made for Certificates of Disrepair in 1965

The Number of new houses erected in 1965.

By Local Authority Nil By other persons. 93

INSPECTIONS.

Clearance Area	54
Dwelling Houses	15
Supervision of repairs	52
Visits to applicants of Council Houses/Bungalows	123
Council House complaints	379

RECORD OF INSPECTIONS. HEALTH.

Public Health Complaints	80
Keeping of Animals	3
Caravan Sites	5
Drainage	28
Factories	10
Food Inspection	
Meat	497
Other Foods	2
Bakehouses	4
Food Preparation premises	100
Food Shops	14
Slaughter Houses (Cruelty & Hygiene Regs).....	90
Ice Cream Sampling	16
Water Samples	9
Sundry Inspections	
Welfare Visits	2
Infectious Diseases/ Food Poisoning	4
Petrol Installations	1
Rodent Control	6
Smoke Abatement	1
Noise Abatement	25
Miscellaneous	89

Reciprocal arrangements continued with the Macclesfield Rural District Council to the effect that the Inspectors of that authority would carry out duties (mainly meat inspections) in Bollington Urban District during times of illness or holiday, and that your Public Health Inspector would carry out similar functions for the Macclesfield Rural District Council if the need arose.

Meat Inspection.

The following charges, which are less than the maximum permitted charges, have been fixed by the Council for the inspection of animals intended for the food of man, provided that operators restrict calls for meat inspection to normal working hours, except in the case of emergencies.

Bovines, other than calves	1/3d
Calves or Pigs	6d
Sheep or Goats	3d

Details of the animals slaughtered and inspected, and the incidence of disease etc., are set out in the following table :-

CARCASES INSPECTED AND CONDEMNED 1965

	Cattle excluding Cows	Cows.	Calves.	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs.
Number killed	925	3	14	4306	1502
Number inspected	925	3	14	4306	1502
Corresponding figure 1964	1116	8	14	4830	1547
All diseases except Tuberculosis					
Whole carcases condemned.	1	-	2	2	2
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned.	37	-	-	6	9
Percentage of the number inspected affected with disease other than tuberculosis.	4.1%	-	14.3%	.18%	.73%
Tuberculosis only					
Whole carcases condemned.	-	-	-	-	-
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned.	-	-	-	-	4
Percentage of the number inspected affected with tuberculosis.	-	-	-	-	.26%
Cysticercosis.					
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned.	2	-	-	-	-
Carcases submitted to treatment by refrigeration.	-	-	-	-	-
Generalised and totally condemned.	1	-	-	-	-

SAMPLING.

Ice Cream — 12 samples were taken during the year, and all were reported upon as within the provisional Bacteriological Grade 1.

Milk. — Supplies - Brucella Abortus.

The regular routine sampling of milk in the district is undertaken by the County Council Health Department, which is the licensing authority for bottling and dealers establishments under the Milk (Special Designation) Regulations. The results of the sampling are recieved from the County Officers. No evidence was found during the year of tubercle bacilli in milk.

Since the completion of the Ministry od Agriculture's eradication programme for tuberculosis, the County Council has turned its attention to the incidence of brucellosis in milk. Brucella organisms are

destroyed by heat treatment of milk, but their presence in raw milk can produce undulant fever in humans. Where evidence of the presence of these organisms is demonstrated in routine sampling immediate action is set in motion to isolate the affected cow (so to prevent the milk being sold in its raw state)

The following table summarises the work of the County Council in respect of sampling for the presence of Brucella Abortus in the milk supplies of the district.

	Total submitted.	Number brucella positive.
Bulk Samples.	94	-
Dealer Samples	86	-

FOOD PREMISES.

There are 4 bakehouses in use in the district.

An interesting note is that in 1950 there were 14.

CLEAN AIR.

There are no smoke control areas in the district. During the year progress was made in efforts to reduce the industrial smoke. Towards the end of the year one particularly persistent offender installed a further boiler which considerably reduced the excessive load on the single boiler.

RODENT CONTROL.

The Council has an obligation to inspect their district for infestations of rats and mice and to carry out the treatment for their extermination on their own properties. A part-time Rodent Operator is employed for these purposes, who also undertakes the treatment of vermin at private dwelling houses free of charge and at business premises at the expense of the occupiers. Several of the larger industrial premises and a few farms are serviced under annual contracts.

The total number of properties inspected for infestations as a result of notification was 134 and the number inspected during the course of survey was 587.

FACTORIES ACT.

Prescribed particulars on the administration of the Factories Act 1961.

Part 1 of the Act.

Inspections for the purpose of provisions as to health (including inspections made by the Public Health Inspector.)

Premises	No. on Register.	Inspections.	Written Notices	Occupiers prosecuted
Factories in which Sections 1,2 3, 4 &6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities.	1	-	-	-
Factories not included in the above in which Section 7 is enforced by Local Authority.	28	10	-	-
Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by Local Athority (excluding out-workers' premises)	-	-	-	-

Cases in which defects were found

Particulars.	Number of cases in which defects were Found	Remedied.	Refered To H. M. Inspector.	By H. M. Inspector.	Number of cases in which prosecutions were instituted.
Want of cleanliness	-	-	-	-	-
Overcrowding	-	-	-	-	-
Unreasonable temperature.	-	-	-	-	-
Inadequate Ventilation	-	-	-	-	-
Other offences.	1	1	-	-	-
Ineffective drainage of floors	-	-	-	-	-
Sanitary Conveniences. (a) Insufficient (b) Unsuitable or defective (c) Not separate for sexes.	-	-	-	-	-

OUTWORK.

Nature of Work.	No. of outworkers in August required by section 110(1)(c)	No. of cases of default in sending lists to Council	No. of prosecutions for failure to supply lists.	No. of instances of work in unwholesome places.	Notice Served.
Wearing Apparel (Making up etc.	5	-	-	-	-

OFFICES SHOPS AND RAILWAY PREMISES ACT 1963

The following table shows the number of registrations and inspections made under the provisions of the Act.

	No. of premises registered during the year	No. of registered premises at the end of the year.	No. of registered premises receiving a general inspection.
Offices.	-	7	3
Retail Shops	-	12	12
Wholesale Shops / Warehouses	-	-	-
Catering establishments open to the public. Canteens	-	1	1
Fuel Storage depots	-	1	1